

IN THE CLAIMS

Please amend the claims as follows:

1-15. (Cancelled).

16. (Currently Amended) A mixture of ~~C₂₋₅-alkoxylates~~ ethoxylates of ~~[[C₄₋₈]]~~ C₄₋₆-alkylglycols -or diglycols which, on average, have a degree of ~~alkoxylation~~ ethoxylation of from 1 to 8 based on the ~~[[C₄₋₈]]~~ C₄₋₆-alkylglycols or -diglycols, and surfactants which, dissolved in an amount of 5 g/l of water, exhibit an interfacial tension of less than 45 mN/m at 20°C, and/or dihydroxyalkynes or derivatives thereof, wherein the surfactants are nonionic surfactants and are chosen from ethoxylates of C₉₋₂₀-alkanols which, on average, have a degree of ethoxylation of from 3 to 30, and mixtures thereof.

17. (Cancelled)

18. (Previously Presented) A mixture as claimed in claim 16, wherein the surfactants are low-foam or foam-suppressing surfactants.

19. (Previously Presented) A laundry detergent, cleaner or wetting agent or cosmetic, pharmaceutical or crop protection formulation comprising a mixture as claimed in claim 16.

20. (Currently Amended) A mixture as claimed in claim 16, comprising 0.1 to 20% by weight of the C₂₋₅-alkoxylates of ~~[[C₄₋₈]]~~ C₄₋₆-alkylglycols or -diglycols, based on the total weight of the mixture or of the composition.

Claims 21-23 (Cancelled).

24. (Previously Presented) A laundry detergent, cleaner or wetting agent or cosmetic, pharmaceutical or crop protection formulation comprising a mixture as claimed in claim 18.

Claims 25-26. (Cancelled).

27. (Currently Amended) A mixture as claimed in claim 18 comprising 0.1 to 20% by weight of the ~~C₂₋₅-alkoxylates~~ ethoxylates of ~~[[C₄₋₈]]~~ C₄₋₆-alkylglycols or -diglycols, based on the total weight of the mixture.

28. (Currently Amended) A laundry detergent, cleaner or wetting agent or cosmetic, pharmaceutical or crop protection formulation as claimed in claim 19, comprising 0.1 to 20% by weight of the ~~C₂₋₅-alkoxylates~~ ethoxylates of ~~[[C₄₋₈]]~~ C₄₋₆-alkylglycols or -diglycols, based on the total weight of the composition.